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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

- Column 3, line 26: Please delete "ottingen".
- Column 4, line 16: Please delete the letter "a" after gradient, and insert therefor  $-\alpha-$ .
- Column 4, line 18: Please delete " $a_a$ ", and insert therefor  $-\alpha_a-$ .
- Column 4, line 27, Please delete " $a_1$ ", and insert therefor  $-\alpha_1-$ .
- Column 4, line 27, Please delete " $a_2$ ", and insert therefor  $-\alpha_2-$ .
- Column 4, line 28, Please delete " $a_3$ ", and insert therefor  $-\alpha_3-$ .
- Column 6, line 20, Please delete "the", and insert therefor  $-\alpha-$ .
- Column 6, line 21, Please delete "the".
- Column 6, line 52, Please insert  $-\alpha-$  before the word "level".
- Column 6, line 53, Please insert  $-\alpha-$  before the word "hearing".
- Column 6, line 55, Please insert  $-\alpha-$  before the word "constant".
- Column 6, line 56, Please insert  $-\alpha-$  before the word "individual".
- Column 7, line 20, Please insert  $-\alpha-$  before the word "gradient".

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Column 7, line 21, Please insert --a-- before the word "hearing".

Column 7, line 23, Please insert --an-- before the word "individual".

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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